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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Since the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office waived the requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98 (a)(2)(i) for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each U.S. patent application publication for all U.S. national patent applications filed after June 30, 2003 and for all international applications that have entered the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 after June 30, 2003, copies of these documents are not enclosed. Copies of the other listed documents are enclosed:

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents may be found, inter alia, in the English language abstracts attached thereto and/or in the specification where they are cited. Also, the concise explanation of relevance for JP

2832117 B2 and JP 11-509094 may be found, respectively, in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,370,842 and 6,043,080, which are in the same patent family.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

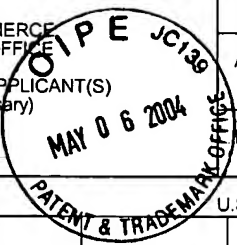
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
*EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		6,043,080	03/28/00	Lipshutz et al.	435	287.2	
		5,370,842	12/06/94	Miyazaki et al.	422	82.06	
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		5,445,934	08/29/95	Fodor et al.	435	6	
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	JP	11-509094	08/17/99	Japan			Abstract
	JP	2832117 B2	09/25/98	Japan			Abstract
	JP	2000-274375	10/03/00	Japan			Abstract
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)							
		Angelika Lueking et al., "Protein Microarrays for Gene Expression and Antibody Screening," 270 Anal. Biochem. 103-11 (1999).					
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